

SENATE BILL 2160

By Burks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41,
Chapter 24, relative to private prison contracting.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, Chapter 24, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

§ 41-24-119. If an inmate is to be released or discharged from incarceration, is released or discharged by any court order, is to be placed on probation, is paroled, or if the federal government or sending state requests transfer or the return of the inmate, the private prison contractor immediately shall transfer or return the inmate to the sending state which has legal authority over the sentence or, in the case of federal inmates, to the closest federal prison or to the federal authority of the state in which federal custody over the inmate originated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.